

BEST AVAILABLE COPY**REMARKS**

This Response amends the claims in a manner that is believed to place the case in condition for allowance. Claims 2-7, 9-12, 14-19, and 21-24 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 8, 13, and 20 are canceled. Claims 2-7, 9-12, 14-19, and 21-24 are amended. Dependent claims 5, 10, 17, and 22 are amended into independent form including the content from canceled independent claims 1, 8, 13, and 20, respectively, and independent claims 11, 12, 23, and 24 are amended similarly to include the allowable subject matter of claims 5, 10, 17, and 22. Claims 2-4, 6-7, 9, 14-16, 18-19, and 21 are amended to change their dependency to claims 5, 10, 17, and 22, respectively. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action objects to claims 5, 10, 17, and 22 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but states that the claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, these claims have been rewritten to overcome this objection. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 5, 10, 17, and 22 are now in condition for allowance.

II. 35 U.S.C. § 103, Obviousness

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-16, 18-21, and 23-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Kim et al.*, US 20020129014A1 (filed 01/10/2001), hereinafter *Kim*, in view of *Law et al.*, US Patent 6,754,873 B1 (filed 04/06/2000), hereinafter *Law*. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claims 1, 8, 13, and 20 are canceled. Dependent claims 5, 10, 17, and 22 contain allowable subject matter and are amended into independent form including the content from canceled independent claims 1, 8, 13, and 20, respectively. Independent claims 11, 12, 23, and 24 are amended similarly to include the allowable subject matter, as recited in claims 5, 10, 17, and 22. Thus, claims 11, 12, 23, and 24 are now in condition for allowance. Dependent claims 2-4, 6-7, 9, 14-16, 18-19, and 21 are amended to change their dependency to claims 5, 10, 17, and 22, respectively. Thus, claims 2-4, 6-7, 9, 14-16, 18-19, and 21 are now in condition for allowance at least by virtue of their dependency on claims 5, 10, 17, and 22. Accordingly,

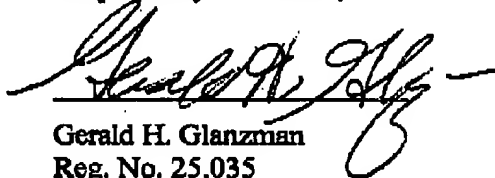
Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-16, 18-21, and 23-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

III. Conclusion

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is patentable over the cited references and is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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